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Applicant:

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ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE TRANSMITTAL

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment with fees as calculated below:

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| | | | | | | TOTAL | : | \$84.00 |

A check in the amount of \$84.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #381TO/41670C4). A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed on or about July 18, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel Claims 4, 5 and 8-16.

(A marked-up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.)

Amend Claims 6 and 7 as follows:

(Amended) 6.

catalyst-deterioration Α

diagnostic

system

for

diagnosing a deterioration state of a catalyst, comprising:

index means for obtaining a value of an index which is used for deciding

the deterioration state of the catalyst;

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